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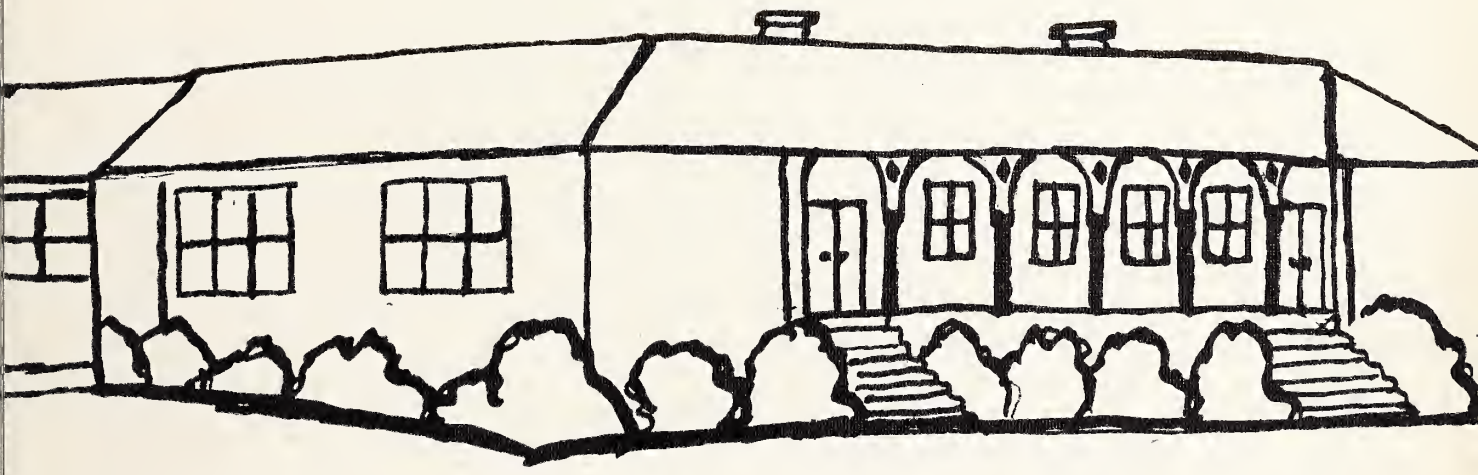

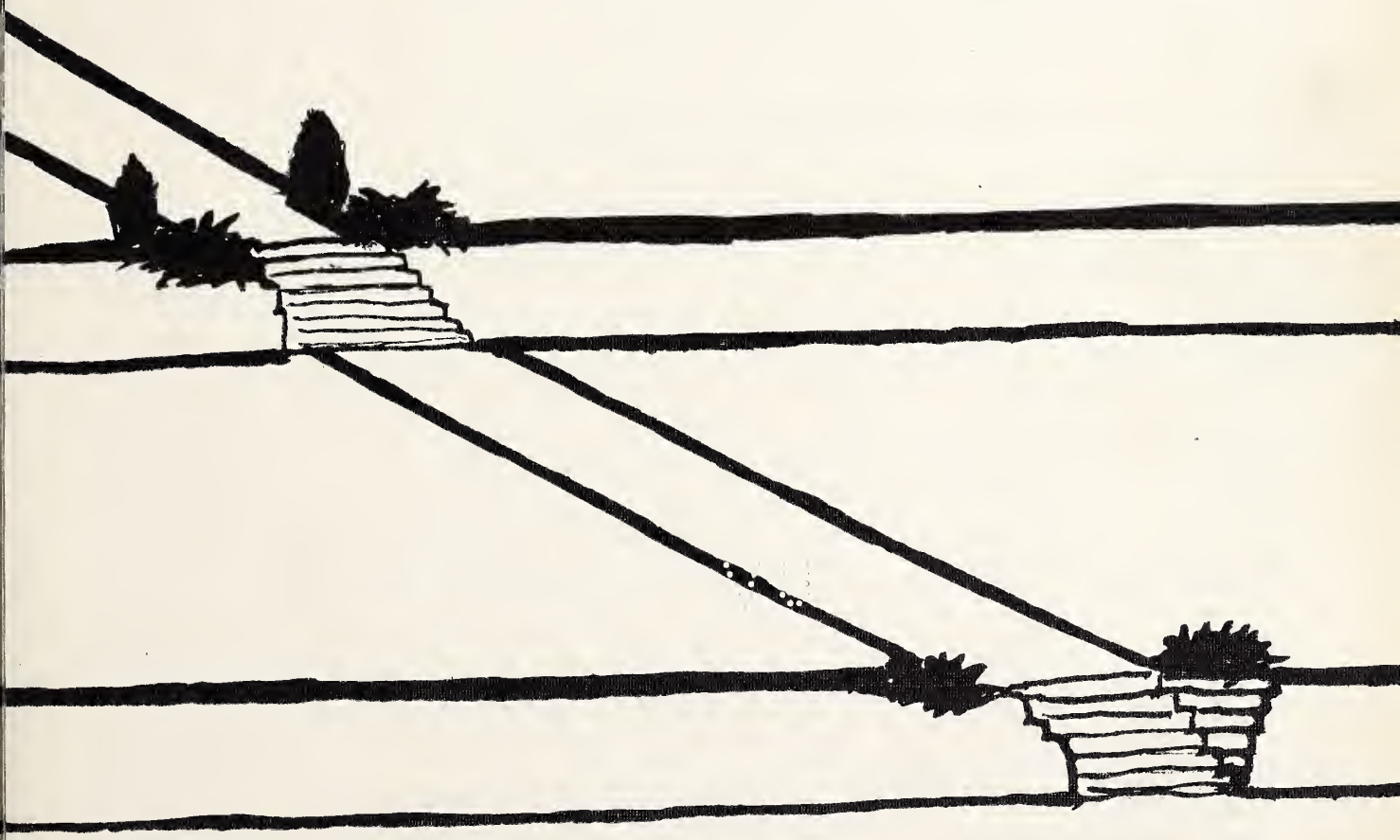

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FOREWORD

Our aims in publishing the AXTONIAN of 1951 are to preserve fond memories, old traditions, and cherished moments of this, our eleventh and last year at Axton.

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DEDICATION

Miss Margaret Ann Holland

B. A. Madison College

Harrisonburg, Virginia

We, the seniors, in recognition of her understanding guidance, patience, loyalty, and untiring services on our behalf, sincerely dedicate the Axtonian of 1951 to Miss Margaret Ann Holland.

FACULTY

MISS MARGARET HOLLAND
English and American History

MR. O. E. PILSON
Principal
Government

MISS JOYCE DALLAS
Home Economics

MISS BETTY STRATTON
Mathematics
Algebra

MISS NEVA BRANKLEY
Science, Biology, Chemistry

MRS. ELEANOR TURNER
Librarian, Music, Latin

MR. R. A. TAVENNER
Agriculture

MRS. R. A. STARLING
World History, English, Social Studies

SENIOR ACTIVITIES

ARRIVING BY BUS

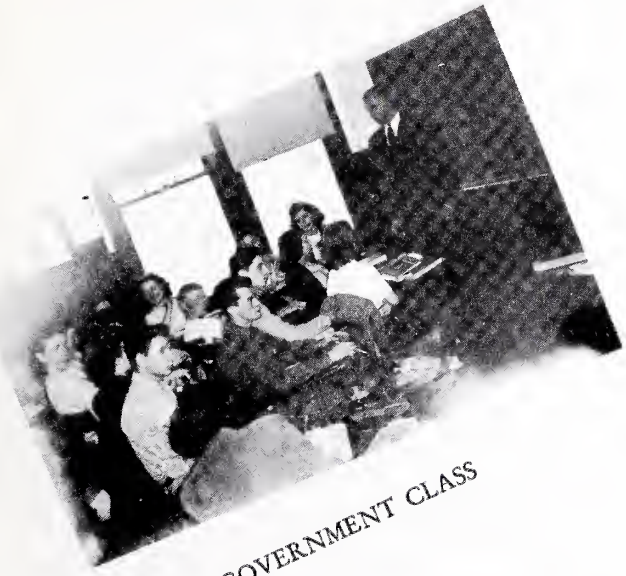
MISS STRATTON LATE AGAIN

HOME ROOM

SENIORS AT PLAY

Our Mascots—
MERLE MINTER and MEARL THOMPSO

SENIOR ACTIVITIES



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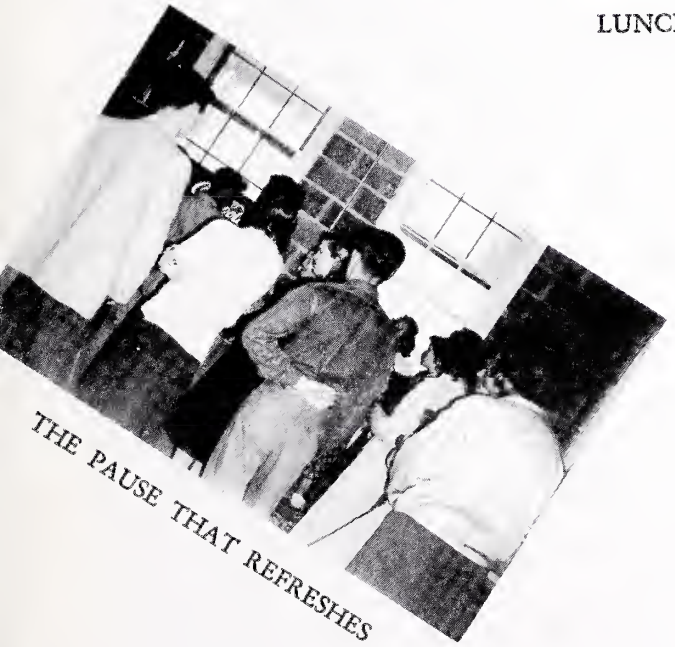


THE PAUSE THAT REFRESHES

IT'S BEEN A LONG DAY

AXTONIAN STAFF

Seated—Barbara Pace, Associate Business Manager; Vera McGuire, Business Manager; Martha Minter, Editor; Nancy Garrett, Associate Editor: Nancy Cole, Literary Editor; Josephine Howerton, Photography Editor.

Standing—Miss Holland, Advisor; David Eanes, Sports Editor; Dolly Rumley, Junior Representative; Ralph Moore, Junior Representative; Ilene Barker, Art Editor.

Endeavoring to carry on the task set before it by past classes, the Axtonion Staff of 1951 has worked hard to represent the various organizations and members of our school impartially and with the most interest possible.

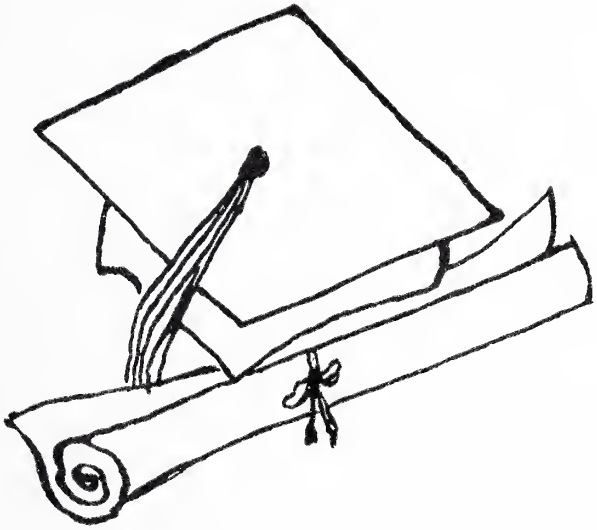
Many of the staff members received training in 1950 as Junior representatives on the staff. Because of the valuable training it gives the oncoming staff members, this plan has again been successfully used this year.

It is to the art editor that the Axtonion pays appreciation for the many varied sketches, including the sketch of our school inside the covers.

To the advisor, sincere gratitude for all her time, thought, and effort, is extended.

The staff hopes that this annual in the role of a permanent record will be of interest not only to those engaged in training, but also to those interested in high school work.

It is the earnest wish that this volume will carry on the spirit of Axton High School.



SENIORS 1951

SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS

Miss Betty Lou Stratton . . . . . *Sponsor*

David Eanes . . . . . *President*

Barbara Pace . . . . . *Vice President*

Nancy Garrett . . . . . *Secretary*

Josephine Howerton . . . . . *Treasurer*

Motto: Nothing succeeds like success.

Class Colors: Green and White

Class Flower: White Rose

SENIORS

RUBY IRENE BARKER

"Bill"

Science Club '47-'48; F.H.A. '48-'50; Softball '49-'50; Safety Patrol '49-'50.

RUTH ILENE BARKER

"Floss"

Science Club '47-'48; Girls' Chorus '47-'48; Softball '47-'48, '50; F.H.A. '48-'50; Safety Patrol '49-'50; Jr. Representative Annual Staff '49-'50; Annual Staff '50-'51.

JAMES GARLAND BURCHELL

"Bugs"

F.F.A. '47-'51; Softball '50-'51; Fire Fighters Squad '50-'51.

NANCY WELLS COLE

"Nancy Jane"

Basketball '47-'50; Captain '49-'50; Girls' Chorus '48-'51; Softball '48-'50; F.H.A. '47-'48, '50-'51; 4-H Club Songleader '48-'49; Class Sec. and Treas. '49-'50; Safety Patrol '50-'51; Annual Staff '50-'51.

SENIORS

MARY BELLE DURHAM

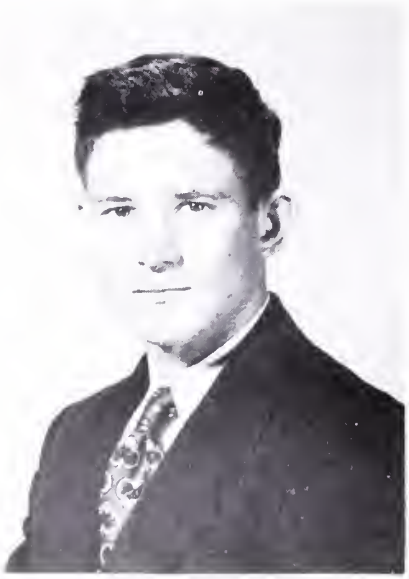
"Mary Belle"

Science Club '47-'48; 4-H Club '47-'48; F.H.A. '48-'51; Softball '49-'51; Basketball '50-'51.

CLYDE NELSON EANES

"Ted"

F.F.A. '47-'51; Baseball '48-'51; Basketball '48-'50; Safety Patrol '50-'51; Fire Fighting Squad '48-'51.



DAVID SWINEFIELD EANES

"Dave"

4-H Club '47-'51; Fire Fighting Squad '47-'51; Crew Leader '47-'51; Basketball '47-'50; Co-Captain '50; Captain '49; F.F.A. '47-'51; Class Vice-Pres. '49-'50; Class Pres. '50-'51; Baseball '49-'51; Annual Staff '50-'51; Safety Patrol '49-'51; Lt. '49-'50; Captain '50-'51; Newspaper Staff '50-'51.

VIRGINIA LEES EANES

"Jenny"

Science Club '47-'48; Girls' Chorus '47-'51; Basketball '47-'51; Softball '48-'51; F.H.A. '48-'50; Safety Patrol '50-'51.

SENIORS

DORIS MARIE EARLES

"Dot-Tee"

4-H Club '47-'48; Glee Club '47-'51; Volley Ball '48-'49; Science Club '47-'48; F.H.A. '48; Softball '47-'50; Basketball '48-'49; Safety Patrol '50-'51.

NANCY ELDINE GARRETT

"Butch"

Sec. Science '47-'48; Glee Club '47-'51; Vice-Pres. '49-'50; Volley Ball '47-'50; Captain '48-'49; Class Sec. '47-'48, '50-'51; F.H.A. '48-'51; Reporter '48-'49; Sec. '49-'50; Song Leader '50-'51; Safety Patrol '49-'51; Sec. '50-'51; Jr. Representative Annual Staff '49-'50; Annual Staff '50-'51; Newspaper Staff '50-'51.

MARY ELIZABETH GRIMES

"Russ"

Science Club '47-'48; F.H.A. '48-'50; Softball '48-'51; Basketball '49-'50.

FRANCES LOUISE HOLLAND

"Blondie"

4-H Club '47-'49; Science Club '47-'48; Volley Ball '47-'49; F.H.A. '48-'51; Basketball '49-'50.

SENIORS

DORIS JOSEPHINE HOWERTON

"Jo"

Science Club '47-'48; Glee Club '48-'50; F.H.A. '48-'51; Historian '48-'49; Treas. '49-'50; Parliamentarian '50-'51; Historian Patrick-Henry Federation '49-'50; Delegate State Convention F.H.A. '50; Class Treas. '50-'51; Newspaper Staff '50-'51; Manager Girls' Basketball '50-'51; Annual Staff '50-'51.

MARGARET JEAN JONES

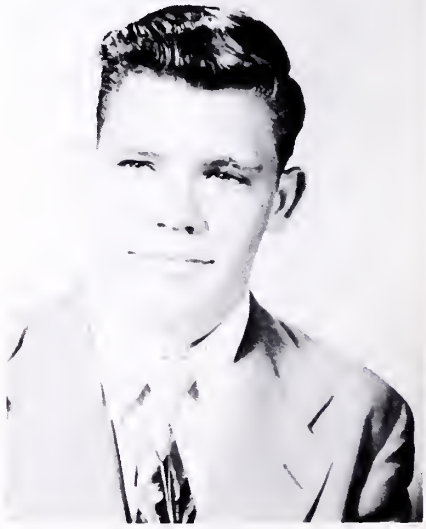
"Jean"

4-H Club '47-'48; Science Club '47-'48; Volley Ball '47-'50; F.H.A. '48-'51; Library Assistant '49-'50.

TOMMY WILLIAM JONES

"Tommy"

F.F.A. '47-'51; Football '47-'48; 4-H Club '47-'48; Softball '48-'49; Fire Fighting Squad '48-'51.



HERBERT MAXWELL KENDALL

"Max"

F.F.A. '47-'51; Baseball '48-'50; Most Valuable Player '49; Softball '49-'50; Fire Fighting Squad '48-'51.

SENIORS

LOUISE JOY LAVINDER

"Tootsie"

Science Club '47-'48; Softball '47-'48; Girls' Chorus '47-'48; F.H.A. '48-'50; Volley Ball '48-'50; Library Club '48-'49; Newspaper Staff '50-'51.

LOUELLA LAWHORNE

"Lou"

4-H Club '47-'48; Science Club '47-'48; Girls' Chorus '47-'48; Volleyball '47-'48; F.H.A. '48-'51; Cheerleader '50-'51; Basketball '49.

ALBERT CHARLES LEES

"Sonny"

4-H Club '47-'48; F.F.A. '47-'51; Basketball '49-'50; Baseball '50; Fire Fighting Squad '49-'51.

VERA LEE McGUIRE

"Pete"

Science Club '47-'48; Girls' Chorus '47-'50; F.H.A. '48-'50; Cheerleader '49-'50; Volley-Ball '47-'50; Class Pres. '49-'50; Safety Patrol '50-'51; Annual Staff '50-'51.

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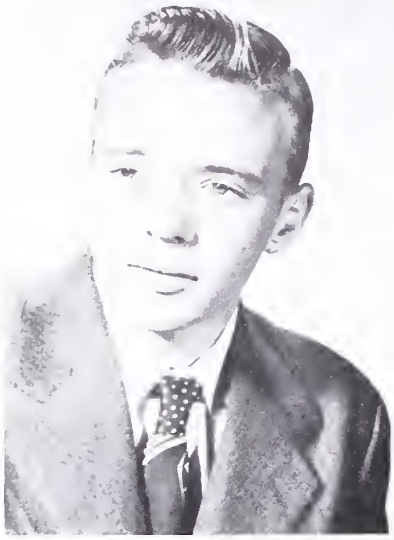

DENNIS CLAY MARLOWE

"Mud"

F.F.A. '47-'51; Baseball '48-'51; Basketball '48-'50; Safety Patrol '50-'51; Fire Fighting Squad '48-'51.

JAMES ALLISON MARTIN

"Jimmy"

F.F.A. '47-'51; Baseball '50-'51; Fire Fighting Squad '50-'51.

MARTHA FRANCES MINTER

"Mutt"

4-H Club '47-'48; Science Club '47-'48; Volley Ball '47-'50; Captain '48-'50; F.H.A. '48-'51; Pres. '49-'51; Delegate to F.H.A. State Convention '50; Delegate to Red Cross Training Camp '48; Safety Patrol '49-'51; Lt. '50-'51; Jr. Representative Annual Staff '49-'50; Newspaper Staff '50-'51; Glee Club '48-'51; Annual Staff '50-'51.

DAPHNE RUTH NEWTON

"Smoochie"

Science Club '47-'48; Glee Club '47-'50; F.H.A. '48-'50; Softball '49-'50; Basketball '49-'50.

SENIORS

DOROTHY EVELYN NEWTON

"Dot"

Softball '45-'51; F.H.A. '45-'51; 4-H Club '45-'47.

BARBARA ANN PACE

"Doodlebug"

4-H Club '47-'48; Pres. '47-'48; Science Club '47-'48; Glee Club '47-'51; Vice-Pres. '49-'50; F.H.A. '48-'51; Song Leader '48-'49; Reporter '49-'51; Basketball '48-'50; Most Valuable Player '49-'50; Co-Captain '49-'50; Medal for Literary Events '50; Jr. Representative Annual Staff '49-'50; Safety Patrol '50-'51; Newspaper Staff '50-'51; Annual Staff '50-'51.

HAZEL ANN RIDDLE

"Moogie"

Pres. Class '47-'48; Pres. Science Club '47-'48; Volley Ball '47-'50; F.H.A. '48-'50; Safety Patrol '50-'51.

LYNWOOD THOMAS RIDDLE

"Worm"

F.F.A. '47-'51; Fire Fighters Squad '48-'51; Safety Patrol '49-'51; Basketball '49-'50; Baseball '50-'51.

SENIORS

LUCY LOVE WELLS

"Lu"

Science Club '47-'48; Sec. 4-H Club '47-'48; Girls' Chorus '48-'51; Safety Patrol '49-'50; F.H.A. '48-'51; Vice Pres. '48-'49; Historian '50-'51; Cheerleader '49-'51; Newspaper Staff '50-'51.

MARLYN ESTER WILSON

"Molly Joe"

Science Club '47-'48; F.H.A. '48-'50; Softball '48-'51.

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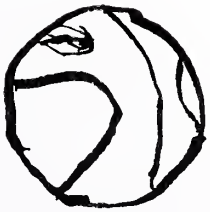

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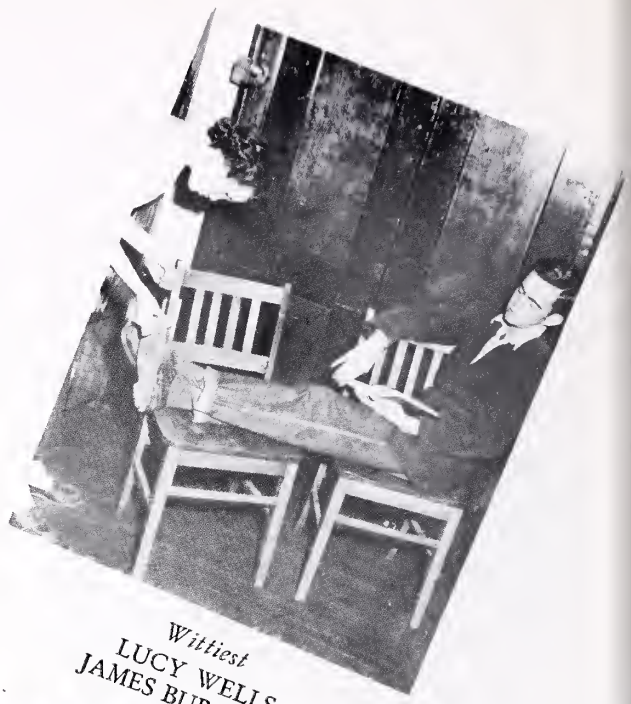
Most Athletic
BARBARA PACE
DAVID EANES



Wittiest
LUCY WELLS
JAMES BURCHELL

Best All-Around
MARTHA MINTER
DAVID EANES

Best Looking
DORIS EARLES
JIMMY MARTIN

Most Cheerful
LUCY WELLS
JAMES BURCHELL

SUPERLATIVES

Most Co-operative
VERA McGUIRE
DAVID EANES

Most Tactful
NANCY GARRETT
TED EANES

Most Likely to Succeed
MARTHA MINTER
TOMMY JONES

Neatest
BARBARA PACE
LYNWOOD RIDDLE

Most Popular
LUCY WELLS
DAVID EANES

"LIGHTS OUT"

3-Act Mystery-Comedy

Presented by

SENIOR CLASS

And directed by

MISS MARGARET HOLLAND

Friday, December 1, 1950 — 7:30 p. m.

Axton High School Auditorium

MEMBERS OF CAST (In order of appearance)

Ella Tucker	Barbara Pace
Doris Harwood	Martha Minter
Agnes Harwood	Nancy Cole
Carl Emerson	Lynwood Riddle
Neil Parker	Jimmie Martin
Susan Bates	Lucy Wells
John Bates	Dennis Marlowe
William Patterson Vaughn	David Eanes
Benny King	Sonny Lees
Helen Freeland	Louella Lawhorne
Vicky Wayne	Frances Holland

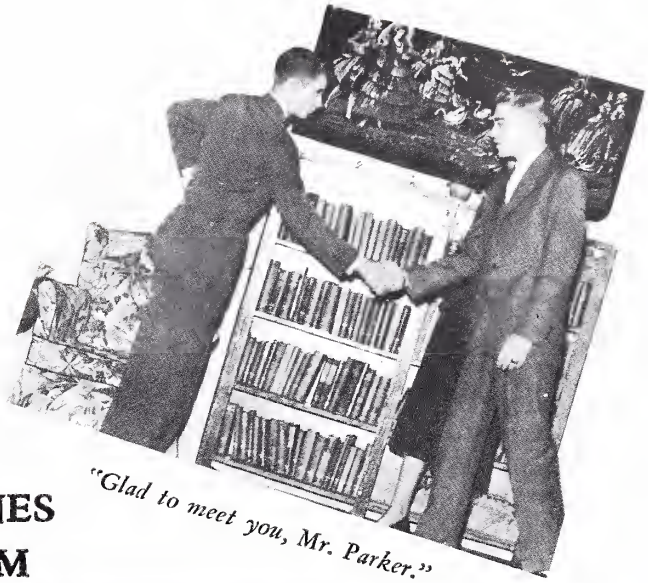
SCENES

ACT I—Library of the Old Stillwell Mansion

ACT II—Same as Act I

ACT III—Same as Act I

"I've gained a fortune!"



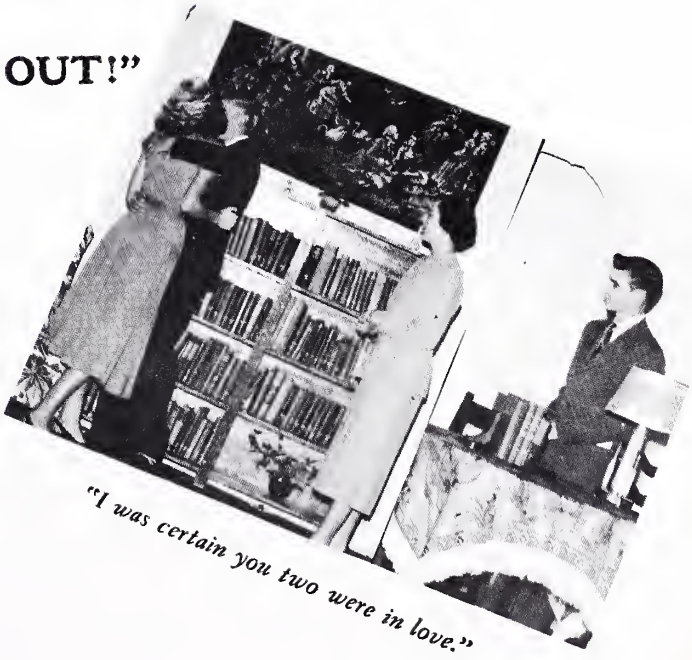
"Glad to meet you, Mr. Parker."

SCENES FROM

"But you can't be Vicky Wayne!"

"LIGHTS OUT!"

"I was cut out to be a career girl, Benny!"



"I was certain you two were in love."

THE MIRROR OF TIME

As we, the seniors of '51, prepare to leave our alma mater, we pause to look backward to the "Mirror of Time," to record some of our happy times in Axton High.

In the fall of '47 fifty four timid, but proud freshmen took their seats in assembly with the rest of the high school pupils. Later we went to our home rooms with Mrs. P. H. Barker and Mrs. Mary Bryan as sponsors and Mr. R. V. Long as principal. The changing of classes brought much confusion as it was new to us.

Our sophomore year started out with only forty five students under the sponsorship of Mrs. O. W. Hairfield and had as our new principal Mr. M. B. Duling. Among the new members were Angeline Minter, Nancy Wells, Frances Swanson, Buford Ashby and Bill Moore.

By the time we had reached our junior year our class had decreased to thirty two and we had another new principal, Mr. O. E. Pilson. Our class sponsored by Miss Betty Lou Stratton had as its officers Vera McGuire as president; David Eanes, vice president; and Nancy Walls, secretary and treasurer. In January Doris Garrett quit school and became Mrs. Jamie Turner. On March 2, the Juniors sponsored a minstrel, "Southern Hospitality" in order to raise money to carry the Seniors on a trip. Another interesting event for the Juniors was "Junior Day" held at Fieldale. In March the Juniors received their long awaited class rings. Barbara Pace enjoyed a trip to Lynchburg where she won a medal in the literary events for prose reading.

September 3, 1950, brought us back to dear old Axton with pleasant thoughts. We found our number had again decreased to thirty. Miss Betty Lou Stratton was our sponsor and Mr. O. E. Pilson principal, with David Eanes president, Barbara Pace vice president, Nancy Garrett secretary and Josephine Howerton treasurer. In the summer Nancy Wells had become Mrs. Aubrey Cole. We also found that Milton Wray, one of our classmates had joined the armed forces. The Seniors were busy ordering their calling cards and in November a meeting was held and a newspaper staff was elected. On December 1st the Senior class presented a three act play "Lights Out," directed by Miss Margaret Holland. January came and brought the usual worries about examinations. On February 16, all county high school seniors journeyed to Bassett for annual "Senior Day." The Seniors sponsored a beauty contest in April to help pay the expenses for a trip to Washington. In May the Juniors pleasantly entertained the Seniors on a trip. The last of May brought, again, the worries over examinations.

Tonight, our class night, as we say adieu to our fellow classmates and friends, the "Mirror of Time" grows dim as we look toward new horizons.

THROUGH THE YEAR

Sept. 5—Back in school again, but it won't be at all dull, because there is a new man on the faculty.

Sept. 22-23—The Axton Fair came along with pies and cakes being donated by the Home Economics girls.

Sept. 20—First basketball game of the season at Stuart.

Oct. 10—Senior Class elected officers, colors, flowers, and motto.

Oct. 23—Started practicing Senior play.

Oct. 26—A juggler put on an act here.

Nov. 15-21—Book Week. Mrs. Turner and a group of students had a radio program over WMVA.

Nov. 17—Some of the students attended the Marine Band in Martinsville.

December 1—Senior Play.

Dec. 5—Girls and boys won basketball game at Climax.

Dec. 15—F.F.A. and F.H.A. had Christmas Party.

Dec. 20—Out for Christmas holidays. Oh! Boy!

Jan. 3—Back again after joyous Xmas.

Jan. 15-22—Review for exams.

Jan. 23-25—Gosh! Exams and more exams.

Feb. 5—Beginning to practice 1-act play.

Feb. 16—Senior Day.

Feb. 16—F.F.A.-F.H.A.'s Mother-Daughter, Father-Son Banquet.

March 9—1-act plays at Critz.

March 23—Literary Contests at Spencer.

April 6—Beauty Contest sponsored by Seniors.

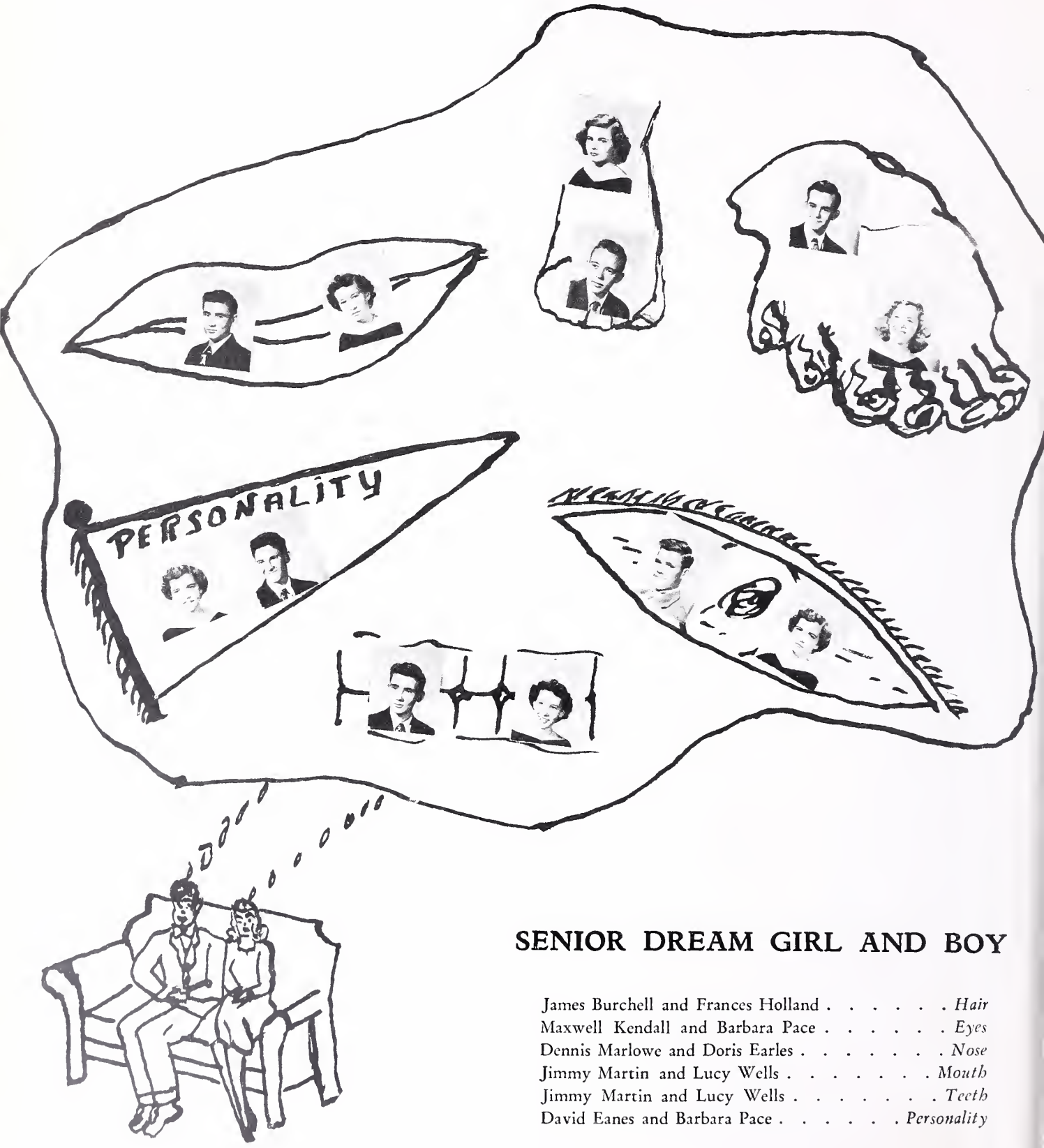
May 25—Seniors take trip to Washington.

May 22-28—Review for exams.

May 29-31—Final exams, "Wonder if I passed?"

June 3—Baccalaureate Service.

June 4—Commencement exercises.



SENIOR DREAM GIRL AND BOY

James Burchell and Frances Holland . . . . . *Hair*
Maxwell Kendall and Barbara Pace . . . . . *Eyes*
Dennis Marlowe and Doris Earles . . . . . *Nose*
Jimmy Martin and Lucy Wells . . . . . *Mouth*
Jimmy Martin and Lucy Wells . . . . . *Teeth*
David Eanes and Barbara Pace . . . . . *Personality*

JUNIORS

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CLASS OFFICERS

Motto: It is not the size of the dog in the fight, but the size of the fight in the dog.

Miss Joyce Dallas . . . . . *Sponsor*

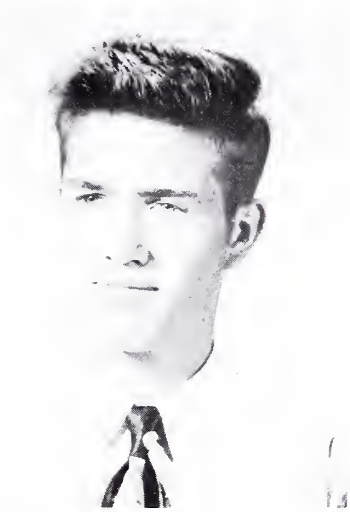
Dolly Rumley . . . . . *President*

Lorene Wyatt . . . . . *Secretary and Treasurer*

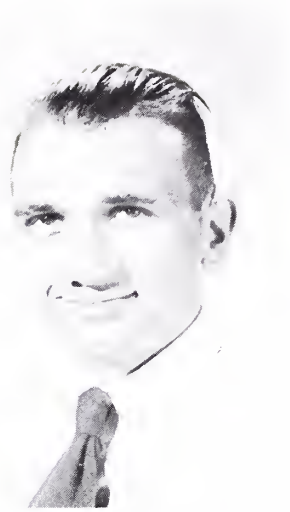
Shirley Davis . . . . . *Vice President*

JUNIORS

LOIS ASHBY



WILLARD BARKER



TEDDY BARROW

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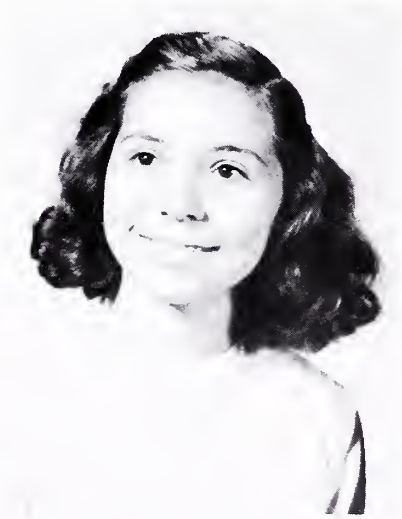
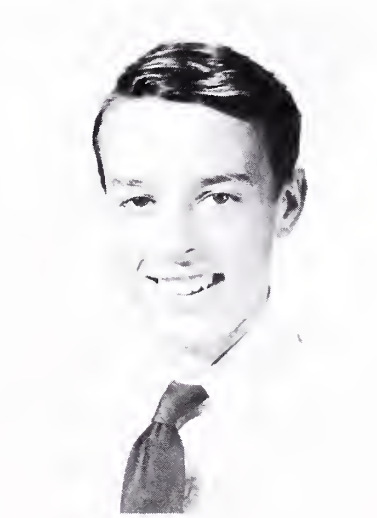
BETTY DURHAM



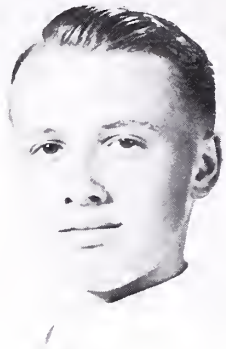
GLADYS GRAVELY



LARRY HOLLEY

JUNIORS

TOM MARTIN



RALPH MOORE

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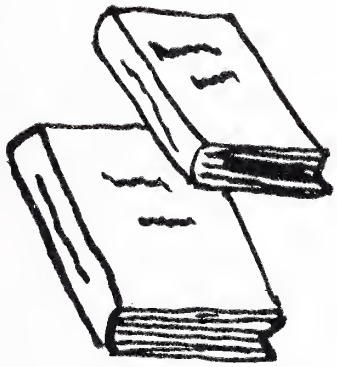
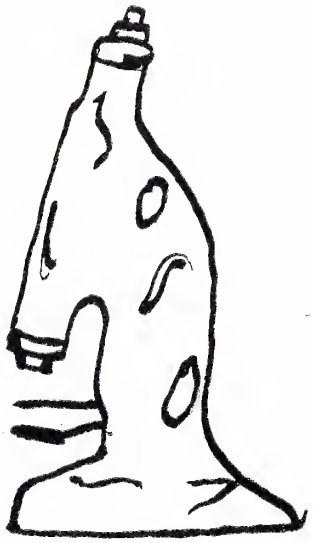
LORENE WYATT





SOPHOMORES

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CLASS OFFICERS

Motto: To make each year better.

Miss Margaret Holland . . . . . *Sponsor*

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Fourth row—Marshall Garrett, Abbie Gauldin, Margaret Gravely, Jack Grimes, Ruby Guthrie.

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First row—Jaunita Hankins, Joseph Hankins, Estelle Huff, Dorothy Joyce, Donald Joyce.
Second row—Helen Lawrence, Eunice McDaniel, Wenonah McVay, Paul Moore, Ronald Mountcastle.
Third row—Christine Nester, Anne Patterson, Frank Payne, Jimmy Robertson, Nancy Robertson.
Fourth row—Raleigh Robertson, Maynard Shelton, Kay Thompson, Evelyn Wilson, Janice Wyatt.

EIGHTH GRADE

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CLASS OFFICERS

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EIGHTH GRADE

First row—Clarence Ashby, Reid Barker, Roberta Barker, Jimmy Biggs, Joyce Brame, Barbara Carter.
Second row—Betty Carter, Bobby Carter, Jason Carter, Frank Compton, Betty Dulaney, Frances Durham.
Third row—Shirley Durham, Bobby Eanes, Doris Eanes, Marshall Eanes, Rachel Eanes, Nancy Earles.
Fourth row—Alton Edmundson, Catherine Grimes, Lucille Harbour, Barbara Hardy, Edna Harris, Jack Holland.
Fifth row—Rosemary Hopkins, Maxine Johnston, Geneva Jones, Nancy Jones, Ronald Jones, Mary Kendall.

EIGHTH GRADE

First row—David Law, Dean Lynch, Marvin McDaniel, Shirley McNeely, Lois Mabes, Janet Marlowe.
Second row—Katie Marshall, Carl Matthews, Billy Minter, Leonard Motley, Jerry Mountcastle, Sue Patterson.
Third row—Evelyn Pruitt, Doris Ray, Sandra Reynolds, Ann Richardson, Margaret Riddle, Clair Rogers.
Fourth row—Garland Slaughter, Leon Smith, Ann Wagner, Elizabeth Walls, Douglas Walton, Sally Washburn.
Fifth row—Dorothy Williams, Edna Wilson, Louise Wilson, Mary Wilson, Nellie Wingfield, Phillip Winn.
Sixth row—Florence Wishon, Harry Young.

ACTIVITIES

SAFETY PATROL

First row—Hazel Riddle, Barbara Pace, Martha Minter, David Eanes, Nancy Garrett, Fern Knight, Dean Lynch.
Second row—Shirley Davis, Dorothy Dickerson, Mary Starling, Dolly Rumley, Virginia Eanes, Joanne Diuguid, Vera McGuire.
Third row—Ann Patterson, Jaunita Hankins, Sandra Reynolds, Lorene Wyatt, Ralph Moore, Sponsor, Mr. R. A. Tavenner.
Fourth row—Jimmie Robertson, Jimmie Wall, Dennis Marlowe, Claude Riggan, Lynwood Riddle, J. C. Martin.

A group which has really added to school life improvement is the safety patrol which was organized in 1949, under the leadership of Mr. R. A. Tavenner.

Many of the members were on last year's patrol, but most of them were chosen from the student body of 1951, by the high school faculty and bus drivers.

The main duty of the safety patrol is to insure the safety of pupils. Some of the minor duties are to see that school rules are enforced and school property is taken care of.

CHEERLEADERS

Left to right—Janet Marlowe, Betty Dulaney, Katie Marshall, Dorothy Williams, Sandra Reynolds, Lucy Wells, Vera McGuire, Louella Lawhorne.

The cheerleaders of A. H. S. really add the finishing touch to the school's many basketball and baseball games. Some of the girls were members of last year's cheerleading group, but many of them were chosen from the newly added eighth grade.

The girls have many cheers which the student body thrills to, but they are especially fond of this one:

Beat me daddy, eight to the bar,
A. H. S. has gone mighty far,
Swing me daddy to the boogie beat,
Come on team, you're all reet.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Standing—Mr. Pilson, Frank Payne, Paul Moore, Ronald Mountcastle, Oliver Carter, Ralph Moore, Lynwood Riddle.
Kneeling—Dennis Marlowe, Nelson Eanes, Ted Barrow, David Eanes, Clifton Clark.

The beginning of the basketball season of '50 brought many hopes and desires from our boys' team as to the possibilities of winning the county championship. To bring about this accomplishment would be a hard task for the team because they had pretty stiff competition from the other schools in the county, but the experience and leadership of their coach, Mr. O. E. Pilson helped them achieve their goal. The trophy was awarded to the captain, Ted Barrow, on December 5, at the Fieldale Gymnasium by Mr. Fairbanks, principal of Spencer-Penn High School.

Ted Barrow and David Eanes were fortunate in being chosen as outstanding players on the all-star team. Ted won a silver miniature basketball for being best offensive player in the county.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Standing—Eunice McDaniels, Helen Lawerence, Lois Ashby, Miss Stratton, Josephine Howerton, Mary Durham, Janice Wyatt.
Kneeling—Mary Grimes, Beatrice Branch, Dolly Rumley, Barbara Pace, Virginia Eanes, Frances Holland.

Coached by Miss Betty Lou Stratton, the girls' team was not so fortunate as the boys, but for the first time in four years, they chalked up a victory for the team. Although the girls failed in winning any league games, they succeeded in showing good sportsmanship and friendliness toward their opponents.

Dolly Rumley was chosen as one of the best forwards in the county, to be on the all-star team.

BASEBALL

First row—David Eanes, Jimmy Robertson, Clifton Clark, Dennis Marlowe, Oliver Carter, Maynard Shelton.
Second row—Larry Holly, Maxwell Kendall, Sonny Lees, James Burchell.
Third row—Jimmy Wall, Frank Payne, R. A. Tavenner, Lynwood Riddle, Jimmy Martin.

Although R. A. Tavenner's baseball team was minus several of last year's players and new inexperienced boys took the places of those graduated from the team, that did not keep them from trying their best to win. With two of the most reliable pitchers being gone, Mr. Tavenner found new talent to fill their places also. The members of the team with their playing ability and sportsmanship had a successful playing season.

SOFTBALL

Top row—Beatrice Branch, Lois Ashby, Louella Lawhorne, Dolly Rumley, Marilyn Wilson.
Second row—Mary Starling, Lorene Wyatt, Frances Holland, Doris Earles, Ilene Barker, Eunice McDaniel, Irene Barker.
First row—Margaret Gravely, Ernestine Flippen, Abbie Gauldin, Barbara Pace, Virginia Eanes, Mary Grimes, Miss Neva Brankley.
Seated—Marybelle Durham.

Organized in '49, the girls' softball team, coached by Miss Neva Brankly had a trying time in overcoming county competition in the seasons following their organization, but cooperation of the members of the team and coach has made softball one of the outstanding sports to participate in.

F. F. A.

Background—David Eanes, Frank Payne, Jimmy Robertson, William Carter, Claude Riggan, Donald Joyce, Joseph Hankins, Leonard Bates, Jerry Roach, Jimmie Martin, Lynwood Riddle.
Foreground—Maxwell Kendall, Bobby Ashby, James Burchell, Tommy Jones, Maynard Shelton, Mr. Tavenner, Oliver Carter, Donald Eanes, Sonny Lees.

The F.F.A. Chapter is one of the oldest and best known organizations for boys in Axton. The organization was established for boys studying vocational agriculture who are planning to become future farmers. The boys in the F.F.A. have a wide variety of activities. They have been the means of improving the school grounds and buildings. Only last fall they laid pipe and sewer lines for the new shop and agriculture building. They have, in the past, made many improvements to make our school a better one.

However, there is not outdoor work all the time, for there is much information to be obtained pertaining to farm jobs. For example, there is forestry, dairy judging and public speaking contests to participate in. The new shop, which was completed in early 1950, offers unlimited opportunities for woodwork, welding, blacksmithing, etc.

This is an organization that certainly is both highly educational and beneficial to all farm youth.

F.H.A.

Kneeling—Miss Dallas, Helen Lawrence, Mary Starling, Barbara Pace, Martha Minter, Josephine Howerton, Nancy Garrett, Lucy Wells.
Second row—Eunice McDaniel, Nancy Cole, Christine Nester, Alma Crews, Dorothy Joyce, Wenon Hall McVay, Janice Wyatt, Ethel Brown, Gladys Gravely, Nancy Robertson, Abbie Gauldin.
Third row—Mary Durham, Earnestine Flippen, Evelyn Wilson, Dorothy Newton, Juanita Hankins, Kay Thompson, Anne Patterson, Sarah Still.
Fourth row—Barbara Ray, Shirley Davis, Louella Lawhorne, Frances Holland, Jean Jones.
Fifth row—Lorene Wyatt, Beatrice Branch, Nancy Billings, Betty Durham.
Sixth row—Lois Ashby, Dolly Rumley, Marie Dickerson.

The Future Homemakers of America (F.H.A.), one of the oldest active organizations in our school, is a club for eligible home economics students.

This being a national organization, the club feels very proud in being an affiliated chapter.

The chapters of Henry County and our adjoining Patrick County combine to make the Patrick Henry Federation. We feel very fortunate in having the president, Dolly Rumley a member of our chapter.

The basis of our organization being the home, we try to center all our activities around it.

At the beginning of each year, we plan a program of work which includes activities such as improving home relationships, conducting Red Cross Drives, redecorating the cottage, social activiteis, attending the F.H.A. Camp and representing our chapter at the state convention.

The united cooperation of the girls has made the accomplishment of these goals possible in the past.

GIRLS' CHORUS

First row—Dean Lynch, Barbara Hardy, Rachel Eanes, Nancy Cole, Mrs. Turner, Lucille Harbour, Katie Marshall, Sally Washburn, Janice Wyatt.
Second row—Mary Wilson, Rose Mary Hopkins, Geneva Jones, Joyce Brame, Louise Wilson, Anne Richardson, Ann Wagner.
Third row—Abbie Gauldin, Earnestine Flippen, Margaret Gravely, Helen Lawrence, Doris Eanes, Betty Carter, Shirley McNeely.
Fourth row—Ethel Brown, Virginia Eanes, Eunice McDaniel, Betty Dulaney, Anne Patterson.
Fifth row—Vera McGuire, Barbara Pace, Lucy Wells, Sandra Reynolds, Nancy Garrett, Doris Earles, Janet Marlowe, Kay Thompson, Martha Minter.

The Girls' Chorus, under the direction of Mrs. Eleanor Turner, is one of the most outstanding organizations of our alma mater.

Having been established in 1946, by our present sponsor, the chorus has endeavored to reach higher standards in music each year.

The group presents special music on various occasions and annually attends the district music festival, where they usually attain honors.

Each year, the financial necessities of the chorus are derived from the cooperation of the girls in numerous activities.

The chorus is made up of girls from the eighth grade through high school. All members consider it an honor to belong to this group.

NEWSPAPER STAFF

Seated—David Eanes, Sports Editor; Josephine Howerton, Society Editor; Nancy Garrett, Feature Editor; Ralph Moore, Editor; Barbara Pace, Assistant Editor; Dolly Rumley, Business Manager; Lucy Wells, Class Room Editor; Mary Starling, Art Editor. *Standing*—Margaret Gravely, Soph. Reporter; Martha Minter, Senior Reporter; Betty Dulaney Eighth Grade Reporter; Louise Lavendar, Typist; Janet Marlowe, Eighth Grade Reporter; Shirley Davis, Junior Reporter; Miss Holland, Advisor.

Striving for better and more enjoyable school life, students interested in publishing a school paper held a meeting under the direction of Miss Holland, and from their midst, elected a staff of members to establish, compose, and publish bi-monthly editions.

A contest was held for the purpose of naming the paper, and from a number of extremely interesting entries, the staff finally chose "The Bullet" as the official name which was contributed by a seventh grader.

Although it is one of the newest organizations in school, it has been accepted wholeheartedly by the faculty and student body as one of the necessities to enlighten the monotony of school activities. The staff members have worked hard to make the paper as successful as possible and sincerely appreciate the cooperation of students and teachers.

The members of "The Bullet" Staff also wish to thank their sponsor, Miss Margaret Holland, for her never failing leadership and advice in making the paper an overwhelming success.

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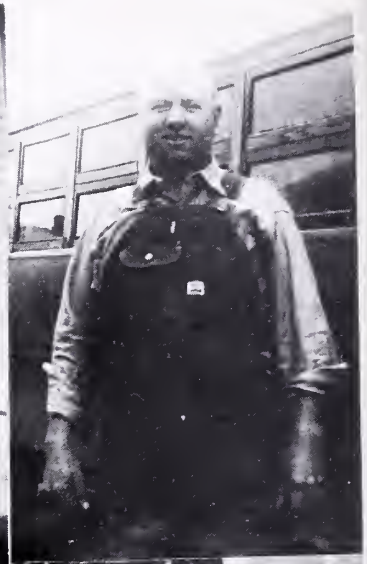
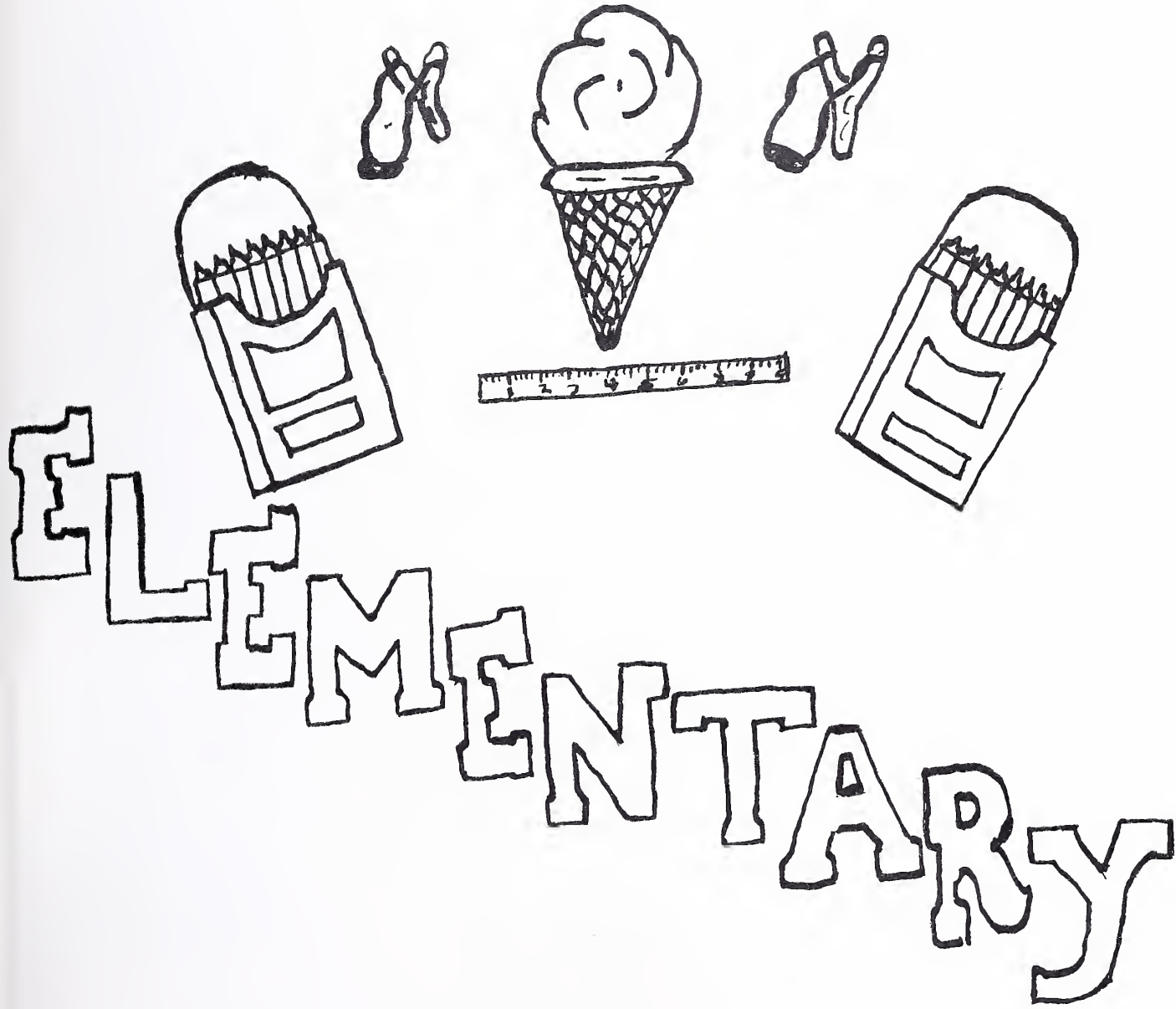


1. Mrs. McDonald, school secretary. 2. Mr. Barker, school janitor. 3. Mr. R. A. May, Veterans' teacher and assistant agriculture teacher. 4. Willie Warren, bus driver. 5. In memoriam of Lillie Oakes who died December, 1950. 6. New agriculture and veterans' building. 7. Mrs. Roach, lunch room cook. 8. Eight A Officers. 9. Eight B Officers. 10. Mr. J. N. Hughes, teacher. 11. Eugene Marlowe, bus driver.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Sixth Grade

MISS WALSIE DELONG
Sixth Grade

MISS VERA WHITLOCK
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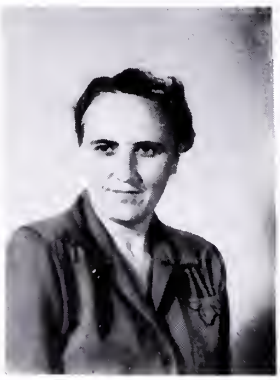
MISS ETHEL WRIGHT
Fourth Grade

MRS. NELLIE HALEY
Third Grade

MRS. DEONNA PILSON
First and Second Grade



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Second Grade

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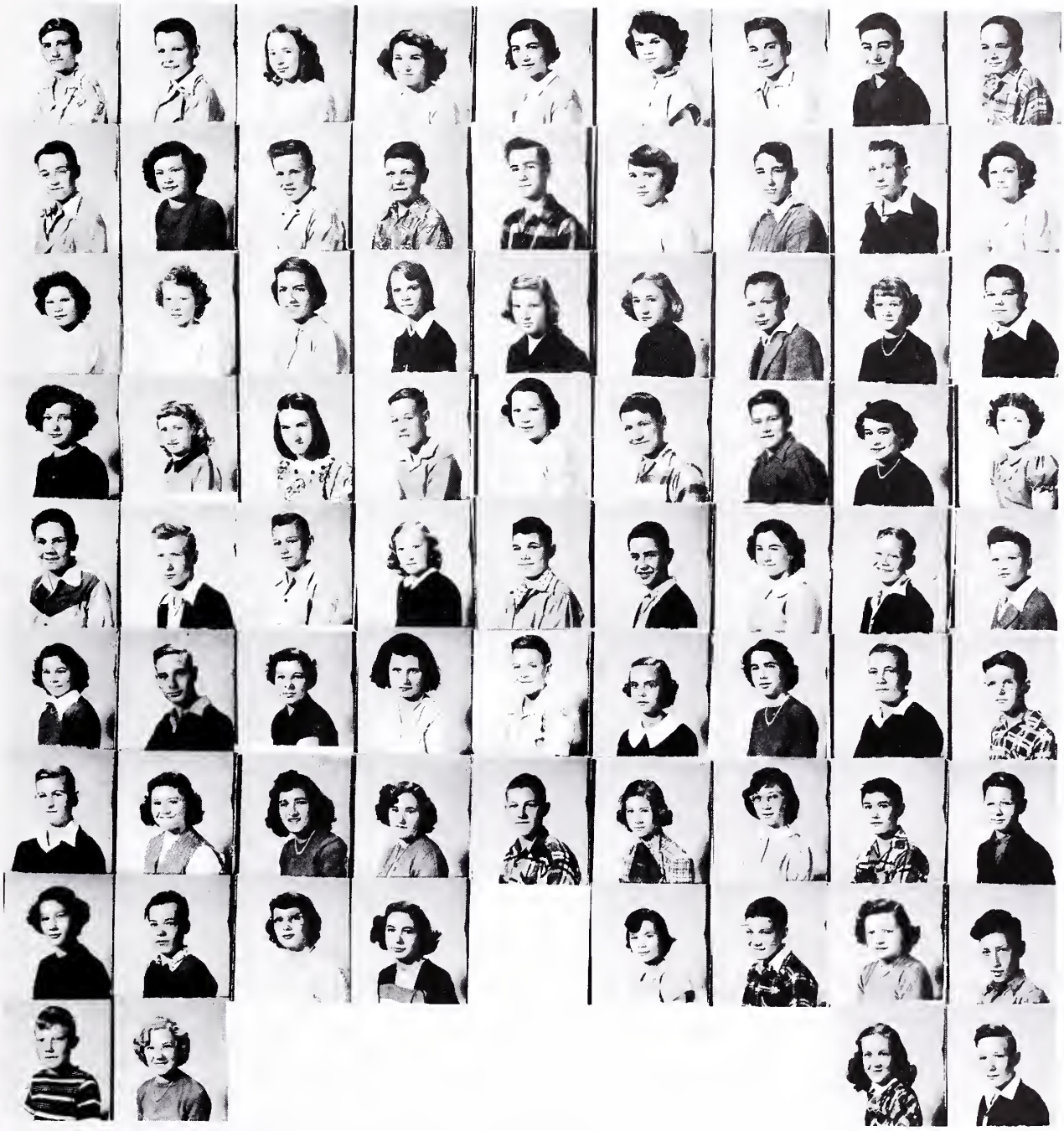
SEVENTH GRADE



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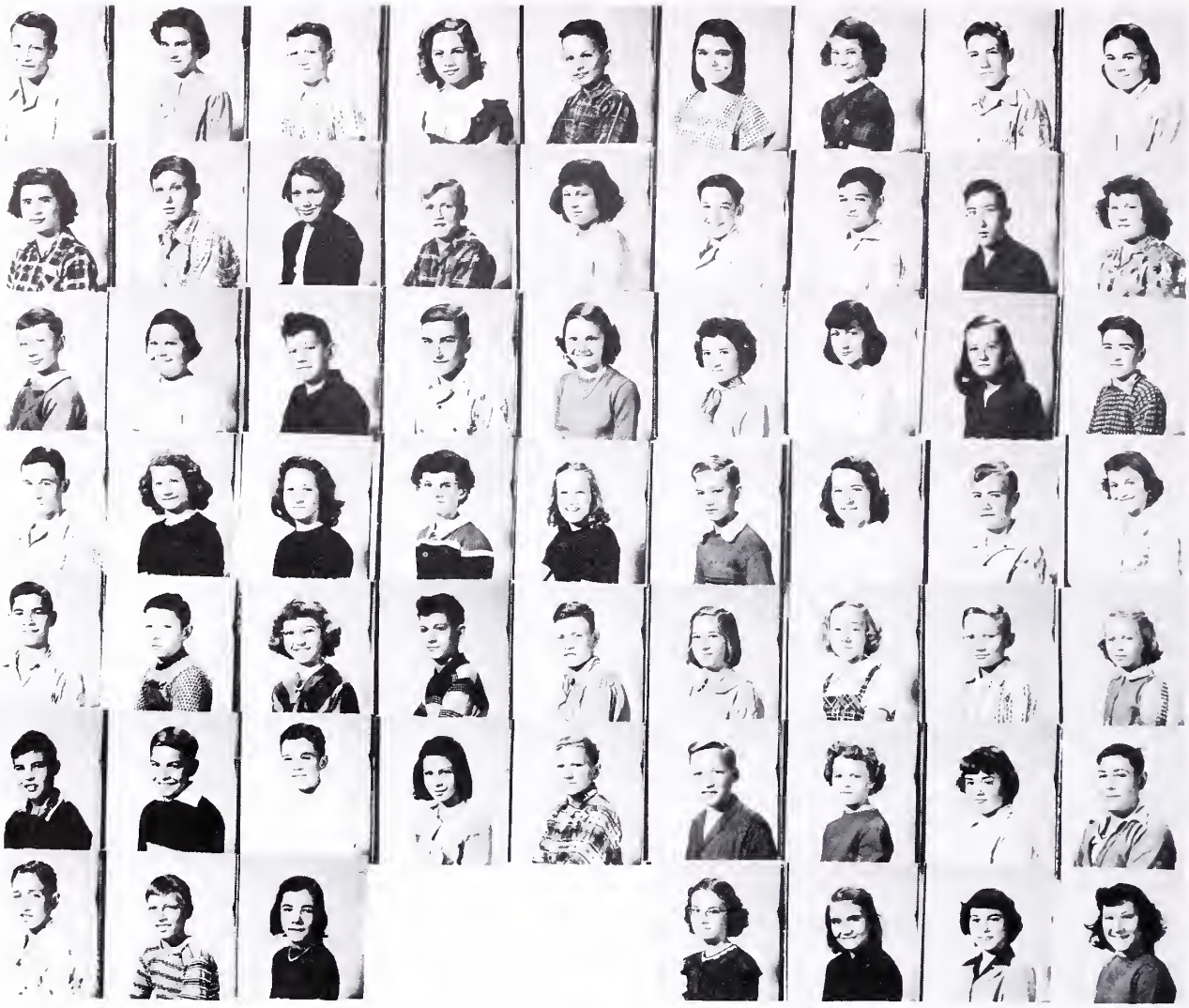
SIXTH GRADE



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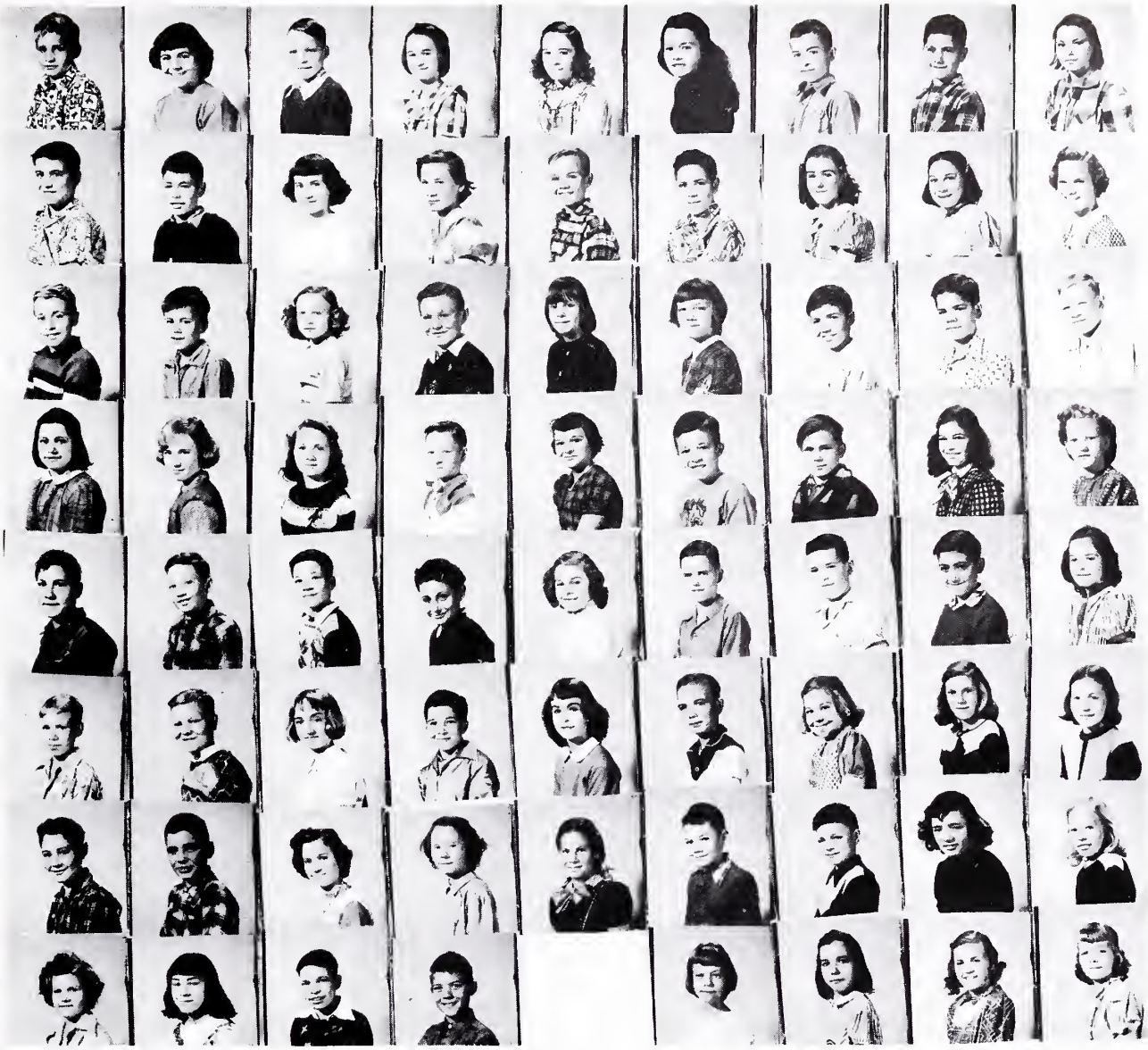
FIFTH GRADE



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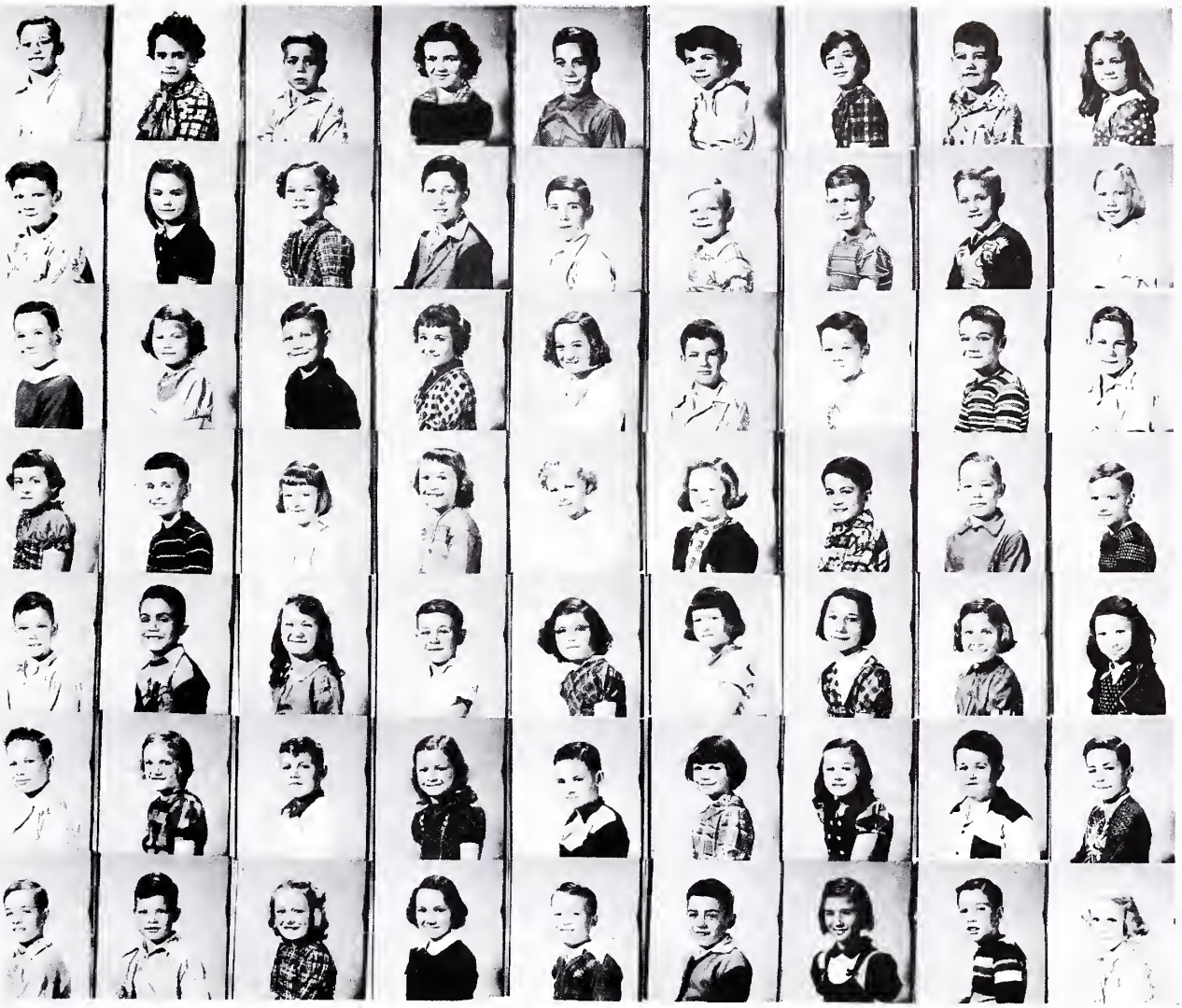
FOURTH GRADE

First row—Willie Amburn, Ronnie Ashby, Mattie Barker, Ronnie Barlette, Norma Billings, Mozelle Bonds, Eddie Bonham, Bryam Campbelle, Louise Campbell. *Second row*—Bobby Carter, Texas Crews, Dennis Eanes, Elwood Eanes, Virginia Earles, Tommy Edmondson, Linda Eggleston, Inez Gravely, Raymond Gravely. *Third row*—Peggy Grimes, Brooksie Haley, Donald Haley, Albert Hankins, Davis Hankins, Lena Harris, George Hobson, Marjorie Huff, Wayne Johnson. *Fourth row*—Woodrow Johnson, Pete Jones, Arthur Lewis, Loretta Marshall, Stuart Martin, Joel Maye, James McDonald, Delores McGuire, Barbara McGuire. *Fifth row*—Frank McMillan, Bobby McNeely, Mary Mellot, Phillip Merriman, Herman Minter, Agnes Moore, Eva Mae Moore, Berkley Mountcastle, Ronnie Overton. *Sixth row*—Shelby Patterson, Leonard Pendleton, Carl Priddy, Cecil Richardson, Lewis Riddle, David Robertson, Kennon Robertson, Luke Slaughter, Loretta Slayton. *Seventh row*—Howard Tate, Franklin Thomas, Ann Tuggle, Margaret Tuggle, Sallie Washburn, Walter Watkins, Hazel Wilson, Laverne Wilson, Shirley Wilson. *Eighth row*—McDaniel Wingfield, Carolyn Wimbush, Martha Wooten, Clayton Wright, Irma Wyatt. *Absentees*—Gerald Compton, Nancy Maye.

THIRD GRADE



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SECOND GRADE

First row—Juanita Amburn, Sandra Ashby, Alvis Barker, Robert Barker, Virginia Barker, Geraldine Bonham, Melvin Bowles, Riley Brooks, Donald Burnette, Lessie Burnette. *Second row*—Bettie Chatham, Barbara Compton, Connie Compton, Glenn Compton, Thomas Crowder, Nannie Dalton, Elmo Daniel, Betty Davis, Brenda Duiguid, Dahlia Eanes. *Third row*—Robert Eanes, Linda Earles, Jacobs Edwards, Roy Garrett, Lula Gauldin, Julines Gauldin, Kenneth Gravely, Frank Grimes, Moir Hairfield, Clarence Harbour. *Fourth row*—Flora Harris, Loraine Hodgers, Mitzi Holly, Scott Hundley, Pauline Johnson, Edna Jones, Gene Joyce, James Lawrence, Johnny Lemms, Bernice Marlowe. *Fifth row*—Patricia Marshall, Wayne Martin, Peggy Massey, William Massey, Phyllis Mays, Stanley McGhee, Diane Minter, Joyce Minter, Betty Moore, Franklin Moxley. *Sixth row*—Donald Ray, Cecil Riddle, Anna Lee Roberts, Drewry Roberts, Thomas Roberts, Valli Roberts, Moses Robertson, James Rogers, Elizabeth Slaughter, Tommy Slayton. *Seventh row*—Jerry Stultz, Dora Swisher, Walker Talbert, Gordon Taylor, Harry Taylor, Linda Taylor, Mickey Thomasson, Douglas Travis, Gloria Travis, Barbara Tyree. *Eighth row*—Billy Watkins, Marthy Walls, Bernard Wells, Lonnie Wells, Betty Wilson, Bobby Wilson, June Wilson, Margaret Wilson, Robert Wilson, Wayne Wilson. *Ninth row*—Janet Wimbish, Arnold York. *Absentees*—Mary Mayle, Ralph Hankins, Walter Martin, Charlotte Hankins, Shirley Havenner.

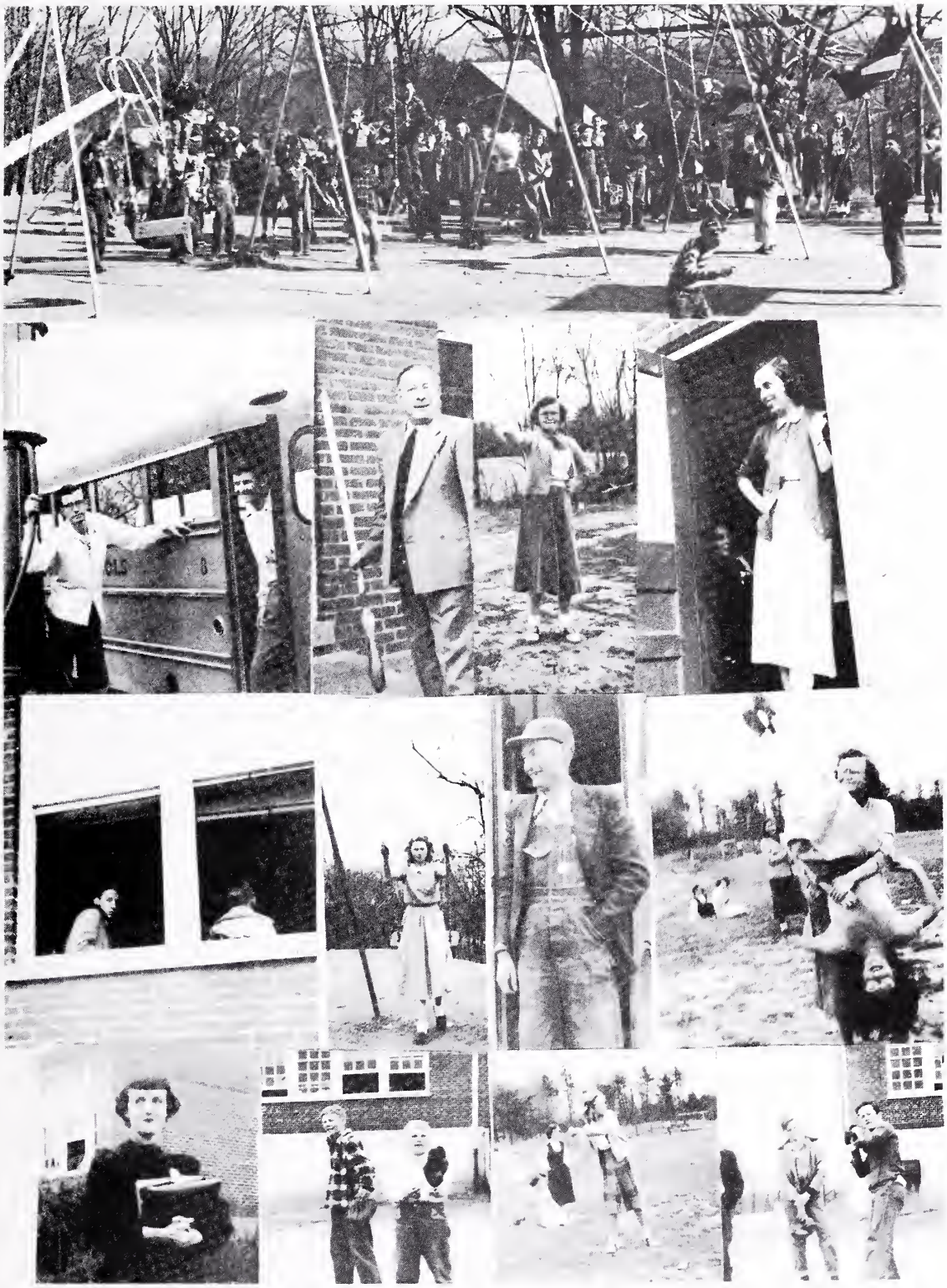
FIRST GRADE

First row—McArthur Agee, Kenneth Ashby, Viola Barker, Prudy Barton, Freddy Barlette, Sally Bray, Mildred Brooks, Mildred Byrd, Cheryl Chatham, Joseph Compton. *Second row*—Filmore Davis, James Eanes, Peggy Edwards, Patsy Foley, Patricia Gravely, Shirley Gravely, David Gunter, Helen Hairfield, Pete Hairfield, Shirley Haley. *Third row*—Hazel Hankins, Joy Hankins, Wayne Harris, Roger Hatcher, Floyd Higgs, Carol Hodges, Bobby Holland, Margaret Hundley, Betty Huff, David Hutson. *Fourth row*—Clarence Johnson, Faye Lester, Marion Lynch, Shirley Lust, Charles Manning, Melvin Manning, Henry Martin, Judy Martin, Bobby Marsh Bank, Eddie Maxey. *Fifth row*—Shelma McCully, Ronnie Motley, Barbara Moxley, Janice Moxley, Linda Overton, Ronnie Priddy, Curtis, Pruitt, Linda Rea, J. D. Richardson, Clinton Riddle. *Sixth row*—Bob Roach, Franklin Roach, Susan Roach, Talmadge Robertson, Nadine Scott, Wayne Soots, Patricia Stanley, Claudette Staples, Helen Swinney, John Swinney. *Seventh row*—Iris Talbert, Judy Talbert, Jackie Tate, Emma Thomasson, Bettie Turner, Margaret Watson, Sarah Walls, Nellie Walls, Kathrine Wells, Patsy Wells. *Eighth row*—Brenda Wilson, Neal Wilson, Nellie Wilson, Sue Wilson, Kenneth Wingfield, David Winn, Shirley Wright. *Absentees*—Kermit Garrett, Rosietta Francisco, Phyllis Oakley, Peter Alverson, Lillie Alverson.

SCATTER SHOTS

1. Rogers and McNeely going to class. 2. The sixth and seventh grade at 10:45 o'clock. 3. Pace and Garrett practicing up for baseball season. 4. The Bell! And they're off. 5. Washburn, Wilson, Hopkins enjoying their afternoon snack. 6. Ain't Larry pretty? 7. Suspense! Will it make the basket? 8. Kinda' young to be getting love letters, aren't they? 9. Afternon Rush. 10. Look at that Marlowe jump! 11. Coming out of the Martinsville radio station. 12. Up and over. 13. Cheerleader Marlowe gives forth with a yell. 14. The cannery at lunch. 15. The smile of contented F.H.A. girls. 16. Walls, Wells and Robertson conversing, watched by the boys. 17. Scales supervises the children's play. 18. Eighth graders don't mind fire drills. 19. Checking in for the radio program.

PEEKS AT PEOPLE



1. The elementary students enjoying recess. 2. The Eanes at work. 3. He'd make somebody a good wife. 4. That blur is a baton Barbara's twirling. 5. Skipping class, Miss Holland? 6. Isn't Mr. Hughes interesting, Clifton? 7. Swinging and singing in a honky-tonky way. 8. Dyer's Store bus driver, Edwin Martin. 9. Wot happened to them? 10. Safety Patrolman Patterson on duty. 11. Catch it, Leon! 12. Casey at the bat. 13. My! What form!

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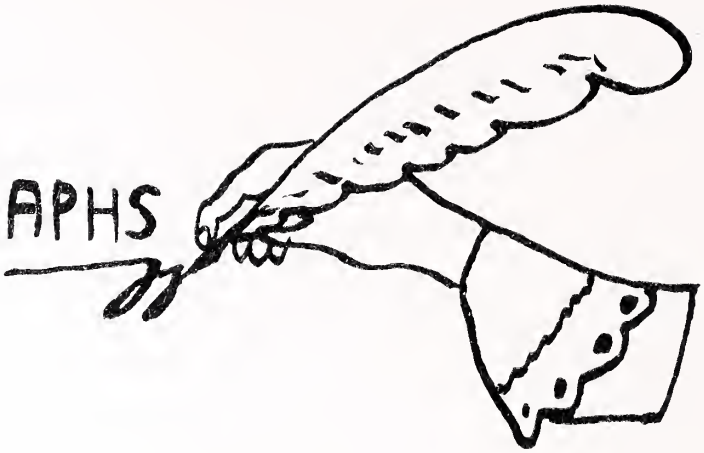

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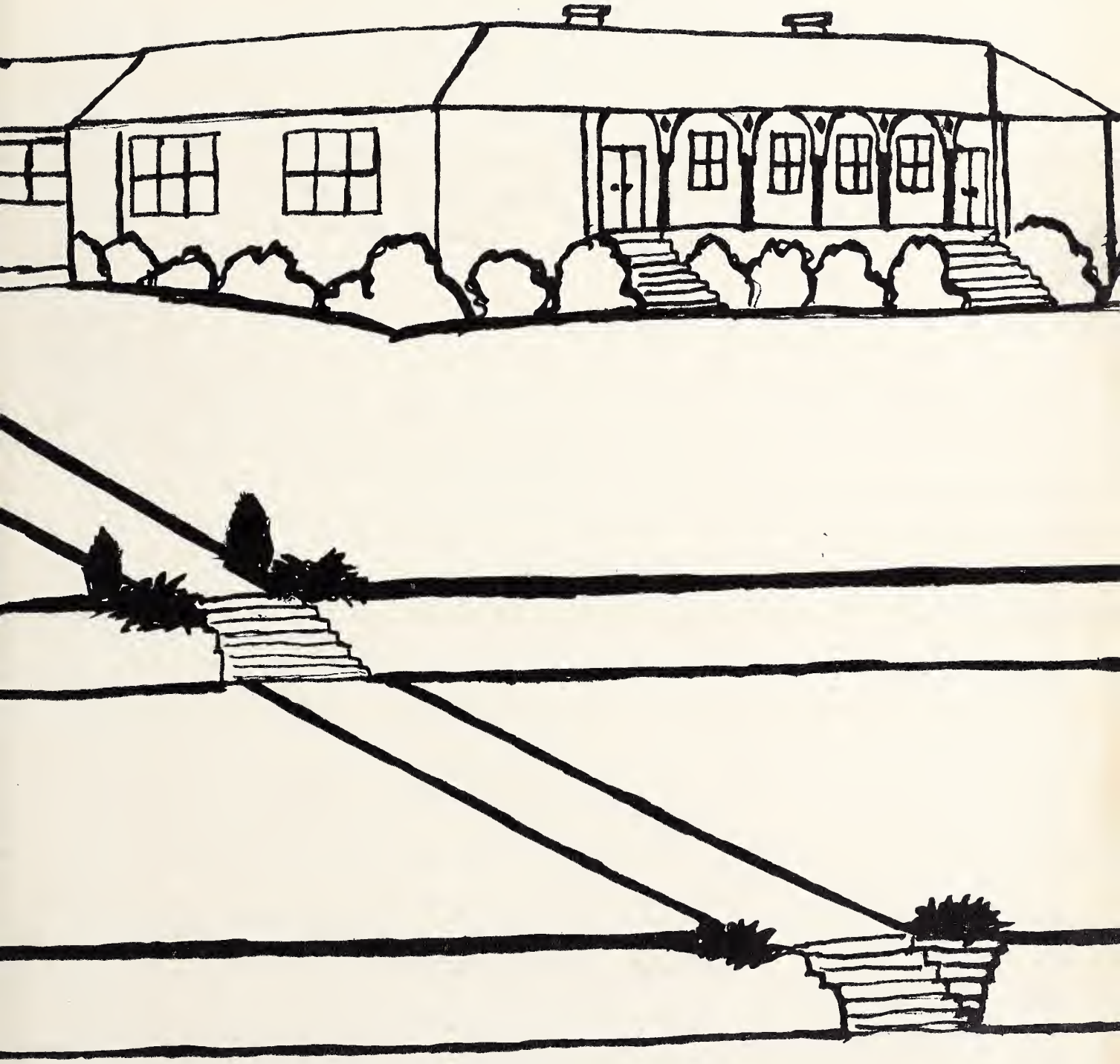
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